

Village of Princeville
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, May 21, 2024 at 7:00 PM, Princeville Village Hall

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Roll Call

President Pro-Tem Delbridge opened the meeting at 7:00 PM.

Roll call showed the following board members were physically present: President Pro-Tem Delbridge, Trustee Peterson, Trustee Pope, Trustee Schoenbeck and Trustee Potter

Trustees Absent: Trustee Gilroy

President Pro-Tem Delbridge informed the Village Board that President Jeff Troutman sought to attend the meeting remotely due to employment obligations.

Trustee Peterson made a motion to accept President Troutman's meeting attendance via Zoom due to employment obligations. Trustee Schoenbeck seconded the motion.

All in favor: Yeah

Opposed: None

President Troutman's attendance was remote via Zoom.

A quorum was present for the meeting.

Other Village members physically present: Superintendent of Public Works, Chad Gardner; Treasurer, Julie Delbridge; and Clerk, Sarah Cordis

Others present: Nick Vlahos – The Weekly Post; Brian Elsasser, Pat Stahl, Lindsey Hartzler, Lynda Stone Spencer Wilson, Mike Bowermaster, Kathy Sullivan, Erin Pulst

Others Present via Zoom: None.

Public Comment Period

None.

Police Report

None.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Delbridge reviewed the Treasurer's Report. She commented that four (4) CDs will be coming due in May. She will look at the rates and select the best options for rollover. She hopes to have the budget from the accountant by the June 3rd meeting. The water billing software should go live this week.

Any Action Regarding Treasurer's Report

Trustee Pope made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Trustee Potter seconded the motion.

Yeas: Trustee Delbridge, Trustee Peterson, Trustee Pope, Trustee Schoenbeck and Trustee Potter

Absent: Trustee Gilroy

Nays: None

President Troutman declared the motion as carried.

Paying Additional Bills

Superintendent Gardner commented on a few of the bills. Peoria County always invoices late. The \$3,000.00 was for salt from the first quarter and EB Buildings & Lumber Co. required 40% down for the post frame building, which was \$26,780.00. The Walker Excavating Co. invoice was for the West Main Street sewer that caved in. Trustee Delbridge commented that he thought that was a fair price considering it was weekend and overtime work.

Trustee Delbridge made a motion to approve the bills in the amount of \$74,098.58. Trustee Schoenbeck seconded the motion.

Yeas: Trustee Delbridge, Trustee Peterson, Trustee Pope, Trustee Schoenbeck and Trustee Potter

Absent: Trustee Gilroy

Nays: None

President Troutman declared the motion as carried.

Consider and Vote to Approve a Donation to St. Jude Princeville to Peoria Run.

Mike Bowermaster said that 2024 would be the 12th year for the St. Jude Run – Princeville to Peoria. He asked the Village to consider a sponsorship. Last year the Village was a Diamond Sponsor for \$1,000.00.

Trustee Peterson made a motion to approve a donation, in the amount of \$1,000.00, to the St. Jude Princeville to Peoria Run. Trustee Delbridge seconded the motion.

Yeas: Trustee Delbridge, Trustee Peterson, Trustee Pope, Trustee Schoenbeck and Trustee Potter

Absent: Trustee Gilroy

Nays: None

President Troutman declared the motion as carried.

Consider and Vote to Approve and Adopt Princeville TIF District IV Commercial Exterior Beautification and Renovation Program.

Treasurer Delbridge commented that TIF District IV will have a commercial, exterior beautification and renovation program, not to exceed \$20,000.00 during Fiscal Year 2025, ending on April 30, 2025.

Trustee Peterson made a motion to approve and adopt Princeville TIF District IV Commercial Exterior Beautification and Renovation Program, in the amount of \$20,000.00. Trustee Delbridge seconded the motion.

Yeas: Trustee Delbridge, Trustee Peterson, Trustee Pope, Trustee Schoenbeck and Trustee Potter

Absent: Trustee Gilroy

Nays: None

President Troutman declared the motion as carried.

Consider and Vote to Approve TIF District I, Residential Rehabilitation Program Application for 215 West Main Street.

Trustee Delbridge made a motion to approve TIF District I, Residential Rehabilitation Program Application for 215 W. Main Street in the amount of \$2,500.00. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion.

Yeas: Trustee Delbridge, Trustee Peterson, Trustee Pope, Trustee Schoenbeck and Trustee Potter

Absent: Trustee Gilroy

Nays: None

President Troutman declared the motion as carried.

Board Discussion Regarding a Letter of Intent Received from the Princeville Aquatic Center, an Illinois Not-For-Profit Corporation.

President Troutman said the Village received a Letter of Intent from the Princeville Aquatic Center, an Illinois Not-For-Profit Corporation. This letter has been sent to the Village attorney for review. He had some questions and has emailed the attorney representing Princeville Aquatic Center, an Illinois Not-For-Profit Corporation.

President Troutman commented that in the Letter of Intent, it states that if the venture fails, the Village would receive the property back. He is not sure that is something the Village would want back, but was open to discussion from the Board members. Trustee Delbridge agreed with President Troutman's statement.

Trustee Delbridge asked the group what their timeline was. They are waiting on this Letter of Intent to do the next steps, which would include hooking up electricity, having water, hooking the pumps up and having an engineer run some test to try to find the leaks. None of this can be done without the approved Letter of Intent. Once approved, they would like to get moving as soon as they can.

Spencer Wilson, who lives behind the pool, addressed the Board regarding a few things. The pool has been shut down for over a year, there is stagnant water in the pool (which he believes is in violation with the Villages' own stagnant water ordinance), there are dead tree frogs in the water, and there had been trespassers. He says this is a nuisance behind his house and he would like a timeframe on what is next and when the pool could be cleaned. He is ready to call the Health Department, to ask them if the current situation is a health hazard to any of those residents who live nearby or the school-aged children who play not too far from this location, at school. Superintendent Gardner said that the water in the pool is stagnant nine (9) months out of the year when the pool is not in operation.

Trustee Delbridge and Superintendent Gardner both commented that the water cannot be taken out of the pool as the pool walls could collapse. Superintendent Gardner said the water has been treated for mosquitoes.

Kathy Sullivan commented that this has been a slow process, but if the Board were to approve the Letter of Intent, the intent is to get working on this as soon as possible. The preliminary steps have taken longer than they have thought.

Trustee Delbridge said June 9 was the deadline the Village had given the Princeville Aquatic Center, an Illinois Not-For-Profit Corporation. June 3 is the next Board meeting. The hope is to have a revised Letter of Intent at the meeting, and action can be taken. President Troutman is fine if this takes until the June 18 meeting, as attorneys are on vacation. He knows there is work being done, and wants to see action taken.

Superintendent Gardner asked the group if they had a budget for this project. Pat Stahl said they do not have a budget, but once a not-for-profit is created, work can be done to fundraise, look for grants, donations, etc. Brian Elsasser said they will not be operating this on a wing and a prayer. They are working on letters and plan to be very aggressive in their fundraising efforts.

Trustee Pope asked when their goal was to open. They will have to see what kind of shape the equipment is in, determine the leak(s) and other items. It is not looking realistic for the 2024 season.

Trustee Peterson said the Village is here to support the not-for-profit efforts, but know the Village will not have any financial obligation/contribution to the pool.

President Troutman said the transfer of property would be 'as-is' condition. Superintendent Gardner will take a look at the tree frog situation tomorrow and determine what the best course of action is to get them cleaned out.

Lindsey Hartzler asked the question of, if the pool failed, what would the Village like for the group to do with the property, if the Village did not want it back. Superintendent Gardner commented that the pool would in essence be the residents of the Village of Princeville's property.

Pat Stahl asked what the next steps would be after the Letter of Intent is voted on. If the Board approves it, Superintendent Gardner will make sure she receives the lock, keys, etc.

Board Discussion Regarding a Proposed Increase in Sewer Service Rates

President Troutman commented that Superintendent Gardner had proposed raising the sewer rate \$1.00 per thousand gallons used. The accountant has been informed for the purpose of the budget. The Village would need the attorney to create an ordinance to approve the rate change at a June meeting. Such an increase assists with the sewer project, labor, electricity, etc. The last increase was in 2022. The increase prior to 2022 was several years prior. Trustee Delbridge thought the conversation regarding TIF was so that there would not have to be any increases.

Committee Reports

Report from TIF Committee Meeting, 05/21/2024- TIF Redevelopment Applications for Princeville Pharmacy (TIF IV) and EB Buildings & Lumber Co (TIF I)

Trustee Delbridge said the TIF committee met before this meeting to discuss these projects. Trustee Delbridge commented that there were not enough funds in TIF IV to cover the financial request (\$7,500.00) of the Princeville Pharmacy.

Any Further Action Regarding Committee Reports

Trustee Delbridge made a motion to request to have \$7,500.00 transferred out of TIF II funds to be applied to TIF Redevelopment Application for Princeville Pharmacy. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion.

Yeas: Trustee Delbridge, Trustee Peterson, Trustee Pope, Trustee Schoenbeck and Trustee Potter

Absent: Trustee Gilroy

Nays: None

President Troutman declared the motion as carried.

Trustee Peterson made a motion to approve the TIF Redevelopment Application for EB Buildings & Lumber Co (TIF I), in the amount of \$10,000, all payable out of TIF I. Trustee Delbridge seconded the motion.

Yeas: Trustee Delbridge, Trustee Peterson, Trustee Pope, Trustee Schoenbeck and Trustee Potter

Absent: Trustee Gilroy

Nays: None

President Troutman declared the motion as carried

Past Due Water Bill Review

The past due list was reviewed.

Building Permits

None.

Report from the Superintendent of Public Works

- The MFT to sealcoat streets reopened at 10:00 AM this morning. One company, out of Henry submitted a bid. It was for around \$70,000. This will be an action item for the June 3 meeting.
- Water main does not need to be extended past Dollar General, and to the Greenfield Contractors property, as they do not plan to build until 2025.
- Talked to Kevin Cooper about the sewer job. It should be bid this Fall.
- The resurfacing project for Brockway Hills is ready and should go out to bid soon.

- Brian is on vacation next week
- Lights up town were off in the evening and could not figure out why. They are working now.
- Doing beautification to the park/town.
- Getting ready for Heritage Days.
 - Is everything ready for the beer tent? Treasurer Delbridge was not sure about their State license. They have provided the Village with their insurance, and have a liquor license from the Village.

Any Other Business to be Brought Before the Board

None.

Adjourn

Trustee Pope made a motion to adjourn at 7:59 PM. Trustee Delbridge seconded the motion.

All those in favor: Yeas

Nays: None

President Troutman declared the motion as carried.

***Next Village Board Meeting, Monday, June 3, 2024**

Respectfully Submitted,

Sarah Cordis, Village of Princeville Clerk